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In re NEW Patent Application of)
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AND MANUFACTURING)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 12, line 8, change "Figs. 32A to 32D" to --Figs. 32A to 32H--.

REMARKS

This application has been amended to correct the description of Figure 32.